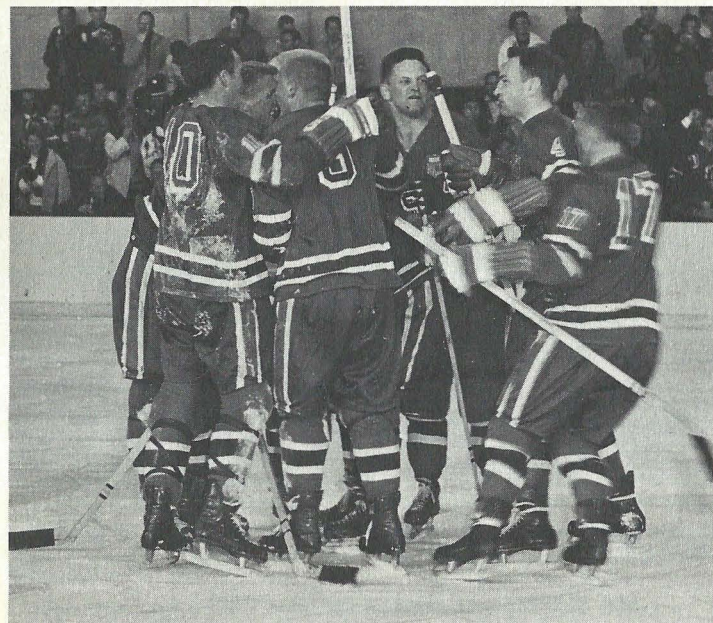


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# ***ICE HOCKEY***

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*USA Players Celebrate The Winning Goal in 3-2 Triumph Over USSR In The 1980 Olympic Games That Led To Gold Medal.*

# USA OLYMPIC HOCKEY MEDIA FACT & RECORD BOOK

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With goalie Jack McCartan in the nets, the USA pulled a stunning upset of the USSR and Czechoslovakia to win the Olympic Gold Medal in 1960 at Squaw Valley.

#### USA OLYMPIC ICE HOCKEY OUTLOOK '80

By the time the United States Olympic Ice Hockey team takes the ice for its February 12 opening game against Sweden at Lake Placid, it will be an experienced and tested team that will have played over 60 games against top-flight competition in the U.S.

Olympic coach Herb Brooks, the ultra-successful University of Minnesota boss, has put together a young, aggressive and determined team which will be out to conquer a rugged field that includes the powerful Soviet Union and rugged Czechoslovakia. The USA was fourth in the '76 Olympic Winter Games with a 2-3 record, and hopes are high for a medal in Lake Placid.

The 1980 USA team will be the product of the most intensive training and recruiting program ever done for an Olympic team in this country. A total of 26 players (to be trimmed to 20) were picked following the United States Olympic Committee's National Sports Festival last summer in Colorado Springs. The team trained at Bloomington, Minnesota, and scheduled a tough slate of games against the top colleges in the NCAA ranks, teams from the Central Hockey League, and various national teams from Canada, Russia and other nations.

The goaltending of Jack McCartan was a key factor in the Olympic gold medal won by the USA at Squaw Valley in 1960, and Brooks labels this position as essential this time, too. He has three solid goalies to choose from--1979 All-American Jim Craig of Boston University, 1979 NCAA Tourney MVP Steve Janaszak of Minnesota, and '78 Michigan Tech grad Bruce Horsch, a star in the USOC Sports Festival who also played 25 games last year in the IHL. Brooks thinks all three are capable of giving the Americans a solid game in the nets.

On defense, the USA team ranges from 18 years old to 26, and Brooks feels he has an aggressive defense that will be better than the one put on the ice in the '76 Olympic Games. 18-year old Mike Ramsey, who played his frosh year at Minnesota last season, is the FIRST American player ever to be drafted in the first round of the NHL draft, and he's a good one. The veteran, 26-year old Les Auge, a former Gopher star, played 70 games for Oklahoma City of the CHL

last season and should be a steadying influence on the younger players in uniform. Another solid vet is Gary Ross, a member of the 1976 Olympic Team, who played last year in Austria. The remainder of the defense includes three NCAA All-Americans from last year--Jack O' Callahan (Boston U.), Ken Morrow (Bowling Green), and Bill Baker (Minnesota). Morrow, a rugged specimen at 6-4, 210 pounds, looks like a top prospect.

The forward line includes another '76 Olympian, Buzz Schneider of Babbitt, Minn., another former Minnesota star who played for Brooks at Minneapolis. It also includes the leading goal scorer in college hockey last season, Ralph Cox of New Hampshire.

Also up front will be the 1979 College Player of the Year, Mark Johnson of Wisconsin, and no less than five players off Brooks' Gopher team--Neal Broten, Eric Strobel, Steve Christoff, Phil Verchota and Rob McClanahan. All but Broten played for the USA National Team that finished 7th in Moscow at the World Championships last winter.

A familiar name is also on the front line in North Dakota's Dave Christian, whose father (Billy) and uncles (Roger and Gordon) were previous Olympians. The WCHA's leading scorer, Colorado College star Dave Delich, is also on hand along with All-American Mark Pavelich of Minnesota-Duluth.

Broten and Christian were both taken in the 2nd round of the NHL draft--Broten by Minnesota and Christian by the Winnipeg Jets, one of the new teams which came over from the defunct WHA to join the NHL.

One more experienced player on the front line that will be a key could be former Boston University star Mike Eruzione, who has played the past two seasons for Toledo of the IHL.

Brooks is making no predictions, other than the fact that he expects the powerful USSR team, which most remember for what it did to the National Hockey League All-Stars last winter, along with the Czechs, to be the pre-Games favorites. USA hockey is getting better each year, but so are many of the other nations.

The '79 World Championships ended with Russian taking the title in Group A and Finland taking the Group B title. The USA handled Finland, 6-2, but lost twice to West Germany. Czechoslovakia and West Germany are both in the USA's "Blue" Division at Lake Placid, and the top three from each division advance. The third place teams in each division, however, have no chance at a medal, so the USA must beat out West Germany or the Czechs and not get upset by anybody else in the division in order to play for a medal on February 22 and February 24.

One factor, which was a big plus at Squaw Valley and will be a bonus at Lake Placid, is the obvious "home-town" advantage of playing in the United States, with a majority of the 8,000 fans in attendance at the Olympic Fieldhouse screaming its lungs out for the Red, White and Blue. The resulting flow of adrenalin can't be taken lightly when it comes to outside factors and their effect on what takes place on the ice.

This is a young, savvy and aggressive team, but like all American teams, it has limited international experience and will be at some disadvantage in international techniques. It can be made up, to some extent, by hustle and aggressiveness.



# 1979-80 U.S. Olympic Team Schedule

## NOVEMBER

- 4 Birmingham (CHL) at Minneapolis, Minn. (Met Center)
- 7 Houston (CHL) at Houston, Texas
- 8 Birmingham (CHL) at Birmingham, Alabama
- 10 Harvard University at Boston, Massachusetts
- 11 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, New York
- 14 Cincinnati (CHL) at Cincinnati, Ohio
- 20 Salt Lake City (CHL) at Minneapolis, Minnesota (Met Center)
- 21 Canadian Olympic Team at Calgary, Alberta
- 23 Canadian Olympic Team at Calgary, Alberta
- 24 Canadian Olympic Team at Calgary, Alberta
- 27 Canadian Olympic Team at Minneapolis, Minnesota (Met Center)

## DECEMBER

- 2 Cincinnati (CHL) at Minneapolis, Minnesota (Met Center)
- 6 Oklahoma City (CHL) at Minneapolis, Minnesota (Met Center)
- 8 Yale University at Buffalo, New York
- 11 Adirondack Red Wings at Glen Falls, New York
- 16 Swedish Nationals at Lake Placid, N.Y. (Olympic Fieldhouse)
- 17 Canadian Olympic Team at Lake Placid, N.Y. (Olympic Fieldhouse)
- 20 Czechoslovakian Nationals at Lake Placid, N.Y. (Olympic Fieldh.)
- 22 Russian Nationals \* at Lake Placid, N.Y. (Olympic Fieldhouse)
- 26 Russian Nationals \* at Omaha, Nebr. (AkSarBen Coliseum)
- 27 Russian Nationals \* at Colorado Springs, Colo. (Broadmoor Arena)
- 30 Russian Nationals \* at Minneapolis, Minnesota (Met Center)

\* Russian Club Teams, but not USSR Olympic Team

## JANUARY

- 3 Indianapolis (CHL) at Indianapolis, Indiana
- 5 Russian Nationals \* at Rochester, Minnesota
- 8 Oklahoma City (CHL) at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- 9 Tulsa (CHL) at Tulsa, Oklahoma
- 10 Houston (CHL) at Wichita, Kansas
- 12 Tulsa (CHL) at Wichita, Kansas
- 15 University of Wisconsin at Minneapolis, Minnesota (Met Center)
- 16 Fort Worth (CHL) at Fort Worth, Texas
- 18 Dallas (CHL) at Dallas, Texas
- 21 IHL All-Stars at Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 22 University of Wisconsin at Madison, Wisconsin
- 25 Fort Worth (CHL) at Minneapolis, Minnesota (Met Center)
- 27 Warroad Lakers at Warroad, Minnesota
- 28 University of North Dakota at Fargo, North Dakota
- 31 Dallas (CHL) at Minneapolis, Minnesota (Met Center)

## FEBRUARY

- 5 CANADIAN OLYMPIC TEAM at NHL All-Star Game, Detroit, Michigan  
(as part of hockey doubleheader)
- 9 RUSSIAN OLYMPIC TEAM at New York City (Madison Square Garden)



## XIII OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES HOCKEY Rules and Sport Regulations

**OLYMPIC ICE HOCKEY:** Will be played in two arenas at Lake Placid, the 8,000-seat Olympic Fieldhouse, and the smaller 1,000-seat Olympic Arena.

The United States is seeded seventh in the field of 12 that will compete for the gold medal. The first games are scheduled for February 12 (one day ahead of the Opening Ceremonies) and the USA is scheduled to meet Sweden at 5:00 p.m. at the Olympic Fieldhouse in a game that is tentatively slated for telecast by ABC Sports, the Network of the 1908 Olympic Winter Games.

Each nation may enter a team of 20 players. There are two six-team divisions. Each division will play a five-game round-robin, with the top three teams from each division advancing to the final round to compete for the three Olympic medals. (The third place teams will play an extra game to determine 5th place and won't be in the running for the top three spots, however).

The lineups:

RED DIVISION	BLUE DIVISION
USSR	Czechoslovakia
Canada	Sweden
Finland	West Germany
Holland	UNITED STATES
Poland	Romania
Japan	Norway

## THE UNITED STATES HOCKEY SCHEDULE FOR XIII OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES

- FEBRUARY 12- Vs. Sweden at Olympic Fieldhouse (5:00)
- FEBRUARY 14- Vs. Czechoslovakia at Olympic Fieldhouse (8:30)
- FEBRUARY 16- Vs. Norway at Olympic Arena (1:00)
- FEBRUARY 18- Vs. Romania at Olympic Fieldhouse (8:30)
- FEBRUARY 20- Vs. West Germany at Olympic Fieldhouse (8:30)
- FEBRUARY 22- Final Round Games If Qualified (1:30, 5:00, 8:30)
- FEBRUARY 24- Medal Games (11:00, 2:30) at Olympic Fieldhouse



**1980 U.S. Olympic Hockey Team**



## A HISTORY SKETCH OF THE SPORT OF ICE HOCKEY

In 1855, the game of Field Hockey, originally brought to Canada by Scots, made its formal debut as Ice Hockey at Kingston, Ontario. The players were members of the Royal Canadian Rifles. Today, Kingston is the home of the Hockey Hall of Fame. However, there are still disclaimers in Canada who point proudly to early Ice Hockey games in Halifax, Montreal and several other Canadian cities.

The first Ice Hockey league was formed in Kingston in the same year. In 1893 Lord Stanley, Canada's Governor-General, placed in competition the Cup which still bears his name to be awarded to the best amateur team in the nation. The game had been added to the intercollegiate sports programs at Yale and Johns Hopkins that same year.

Ice Hockey had been brought to the United States that year by two Yale tennis players, Malcolm Chace and Arthur Foote, and by a Canadian student attending Johns Hopkins named Carl Shearer. A four-team league in New York was organized in 1896 and shortly thereafter the Baltimore Hockey League was founded.

By the turn of the century, however, the Stanley Cup was emblematic of supremacy among professional teams, although the Cup was originally designed to honor competition among amateur teams. (Fact: in 1917 the Seattle Metropolitans became the first USA team to capture the Stanley Cup)

The rise of professional hockey teams in Canada and the United States stimulated the rapid development of the game in the USA in the years after World War II, during which time the minor leagues flourished and sold-out arenas were the rule. Collegiate Ice Hockey programs also began to prosper, mostly in the 1960s, and there is now widespread support of the college game at all levels, in addition to a multitude of other amateur programs at the youth, junior and senior levels.

USA players are getting better and better, a fact which was very much acknowledged last August when 18-year old Mike Ramsey (a member of the current USA Olympic Team and a native of Minneapolis) became the first American player ever drafted by an NHL team in the first round, going to Buffalo in the opening round.

### OLYMPIC ICE HOCKEY HISTORY

Like Figure Skating, there was an Olympic Ice Hockey Tournament before the first official Olympic Winter Games of 1924. It was held in the Antwerp Ice Palace in April of 1920, with seven teams entered in the competition. Canada, with a great show of skating and technical superiority, began a series of Olympic victories which was halted by Great Britain in 1936 at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany. Canada was again thwarted in 1956 at Cortina when the USSR scored a surprising victory. Four years later at Squaw Valley, the United States scored a stunning upset to win the only gold medal ever won in the sport by this country. At all these Olympic Games, Canada was represented by club teams sometimes strengthened at certain positions. After WW II, however, other nations sent better prepared national teams to the Olympic Games

The powerful Russians have skated off with the last four Olympic gold medals since the USA triumph in 1960, and also won in 1956. The Canadians won Olympic crowns in five of the other six Olympic Games. Only the USA (1960) and Great Britain (1936) have broken the USSR-Canada stranglehold on the gold medal.

## WORLD AND OLYMPIC HOCKEY CHAMPIONS

	Year	Site	Champion	Runnerup	USA Finish
#	1920	Antwerp, Belgium	Canada	USA	2nd
#	1924	Chamonix, France	Canada	USA	2nd
#	1928	St. Moritz, Switzerland	Canada	Sweden	DNC
	1930	Germany & France	Canada	Germany	DNC
	1931	Krynica, Poland	Canada	USA	2nd
#	1932	Lake Placid, N.Y.	Canada	USA	2nd
	1933	Prague, Czechoslovakia	USA	Canada	1st
	1934	Milan, Italy	Canada	USA	2nd
	1935	Davos, Switzerland	Canada	Switzerland	DNC
#	1936	Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.	England	Canada	3rd
	1937	London, England	Canada	England	DNC
	1938	Prague, Czechoslovakia	Canada	England	8th
	1939	Switzerland **	Canada	USA	2nd
	1947	Prague, Czechoslovakia	Czechos.	Sweden	5th
#	1948	St. Moritz, Switzerland	Canada	Czechos.	4th
	1949	Stockholm, Sweden	Czechos.	Canada	3rd
	1950	London, England	Canada	USA	2nd
	1951	Paris, France	Canada	Sweden	5th
#	1952	Oslo, Norway	Canada	USA	2nd
	1953	Basel, Switzerland	Sweden	Germany	DNC
	1954	Stockholm, Sweden	USSR	Canada	DNC
	1955	Germany **	Canada	USSR	4th
#	1956	Cortina, Italy	USSR	USA	2nd
	1957	Moscow, USSR	Sweden	USSR	DNC
	1958	Oslo, Norway	Canada	USSR	5th
	1959	Prague, Czechoslovakia	Canada	USSR	4th
#	1960	Squaw Valley, California	USA	Canada	1st
	1961	Geneva, Switzerland	Canada	Czechos.	7th
	1962	Colorado Springs, Colo.	Sweden	Canada	3rd
	1963	Stockholm, Sweden	USSR	Sweden	8th
#	1964	Innsbruck, Austria	USSR	Sweden	5th
	1965	Tampere, Finland	USSR	Czechos.	6th
	1966	Ljubljana, Yugoslavia	USSR	Czechos.	6th
	1967	Vienna, Austria	USSR	Sweden	5th
#	1968	Grenoble, France	USSR	Czechos.	6th
	1969	Stockholm, Sweden	USSR	Sweden	6th
	1970	Stockholm, Sweden	USSR	Sweden	DNC
	1971	Geneva, Switzerland	USSR	Czechos.	6th
#	1972	Sapporo, Japan	USSR	USA	2nd
	1973	Moscow, USSR	USSR	Sweden	DNC
	1974	Helsinki, Finland	USSR	Czechos.	DNC
	1975	West Germany **	USSR	Czechos.	6th
#	1976	Innsbruck, Austria	USSR	Czechos.	4th
	1976	Katowice, Poland	Czechos.	USSR	4th
	1977	Vienna, Austria	USSR	Sweden	6th
	1978	Prague, Czechoslovakia	Czechos.	USSR	6th
	1979	Moscow, USSR	USSR	Czechos.	7th

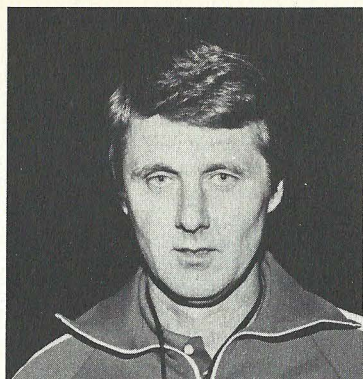
\*\* At more than one site

# Olympic Winter Games

DNC- USA Did Not Compete







# HERB BROOKS' COACHING RECORD at Univ. of Minnesota

Year	W	L	T	Pct.
1972-73	15	16	3	.485
1973-74	22	12	6	.625 +
1974-75	39	11	3	.764 #
1975-76	28	14	2	.659 +
1976-77	17	22	3	.440
1977-78	22	14	2	.605
1978-79	32	11	1	.727 +
7 Yrs.	175	100	20	.636

+ NCAA Champions  
# WCHA Champions

## USA OLYMPIC HEAD COACH HERB BROOKS University of Minnesota Coach

Herb Brooks, in his seven years as head coach at the University of Minnesota, has brought the Gophers amazing success on the ice, including three NCAA Championships and a won-loss mark of 175-100-20 which equals a sizzling .636 winning percentage.

The 42-year old native of St. Paul attended Minnesota and became one of the finest hockey players ever to wear the colors of the University, being hailed by his coach, John Mariucci, as "the fastest college player in hockey in that era."

Brooks was the last player to be cut ahead of the 1960 Olympic Winter Games from the USA team that was to go on to win its only gold medal in history. "Must have cut the right guy," quips Brooks.

Following his disappointment in 1960, Brooks played on virtually every USA Olympic or National Team from 1961 to 1970, and was the team captain in 1965, 1967, 1968 and 1970.

Through the 1960s Brooks worked as an insurance salesman in St. Paul, but was an assistant coach at the University of Minnesota under Glen Sonmor from 1969-71. The following year he pioneered Junior A Hockey in the state as the first coach of the Minnesota Junior Stars.

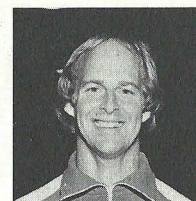
When Sonmor left Minnesota to become the coach and general manager of the new WHA Minnesota Fighting Saints, Brooks was named by UM Athletic Director Paul Giel to succeed him.

In his second year at Minnesota, Brooks' Gophers finished second in the WCHA, then went on to win the NCAA Championship. It was the first time in 25 years that a team made up of only Americans had won a national hockey title.

In the 1975-76 season, Michigan Tech's defending NCAA champions won the WCHA, but Brooks and his crew turned the tables on the Huskies and beat them for the NCAA title.

Brooks' third NCAA crown came in the 1978-79 season after a massive rebuilding job. A 4-3 win over North Dakota in the title game gave Minnesota its third national crown under Brooks. After the season, Brooks coached the USA National Team which played in the World Games in Moscow, an experience which gave him valuable insight into international hockey and its style of play.

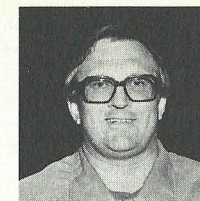
Brooks is currently on leave from the University to coach the 1980 USA Olympic Team. He is married (Patti) and has two children, Daniel (12) and Kelly (7).



Patrick



Johannson



Strelow

## CRAIG PATRICK- Assistant Coach

An eight-year veteran of professional hockey...played with the Washington Caps for the last three years before retiring after the 1979 season...attended the University of Denver and was a member of the 1968 NCAA Championship DU Pioneer team coached by Murray Armstrong...played two years for the USA Nationals after graduation from Denver, then turned pro with the California Golden Seals organization in 1971...also played for the St. Louis Blues and the Minnesota Fighting Saints of the WHA...captained the 1979 USA National Team that played in Moscow in the World Championships.

## KEN JOHANNSON- General Manager

Johannson has an extensive background in hockey as a player, coach and administrator..he played four years at the University of North Dakota, graduating in 1953, then played in England, Scotland and Switzerland for the next three seasons. He continued his playing career with the Warroad Lakers and the Rochester Mustangs and was a member of the USA National Team in 1962 and 1966. He has coached at the high school, college and senior amateur levels, and also has developed youth hockey programs and clinics in Rochester, where he lives and works as a hospital administrator at the Mayo Clinic. He is responsible for the overall business aspects of the USA Olympic Team preparations for the 1980 Olympic Winter Games.

## WARREN STRELOW- Goalkeeper Coach

Has served in this capacity with Herb Brooks at the University of Minnesota for the last seven years...and he's turned out some dandies in goal for the Gophers. He's a native of St. Paul and played at the University of Minnesota, then later for Des Moines and Minneapolis in the United States Hockey League, a top 1950s circuit...he was the goalie coach for the 1979 USA National Team and is a member scout of the Central Scouting System of the NHL...for the past 14 years, he has been the head coach at Mahtomedi High School in suburban St. Paul.

## GARY SMITH- Team Trainer

A native of Waterloo, Iowa...served as head hockey trainer at the University of Minnesota for three years during a period of 1969-77 for Herb Brooks and his staff..he is currently the head trainer for the Minnesota Kicks of the North American Soccer League, based in the Twin Cities, and is also employed as the athletic trainer for the Institute of Athletic Medicine at Fairview Hospital in Minneapolis. He's a graduate of the University of Northern Iowa and also holds a Masters degree from the University of Minnesota.

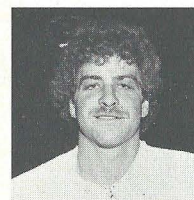


# THE 1980 UNITED STATES OLYMPIC HOCKEY TEAM TRAINING SQUAD

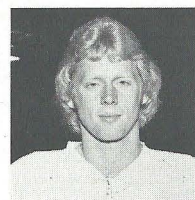
GOALTENDERS	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	HOMETOWN	COLLEGE	PREVIOUS TEAM
30 Jim Craig	6-1	190	5/3/57	North Easton, Mass.	Boston University	Boston University
31 Bruce Horsch	5-9	178	3/8/56	Hastings, Minn.	Michigan Tech	Nova Scotia (AHL)
1 Steve Janaszak	5-8	160	1/7/57	White Bear Lake, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota
DEFENSEMEN						
2 Les Auge	6-1	190	5/16/53	St. Paul, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Oklahoma City (CHL)
6 Bill Baker	6-1	195	11/29/56	Grand Rapids, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota
12 Jack Hughes	6-1	205	7/20/57	Somerville, Mass.	Harvard	Harvard
3 Ken Morrow	6-4	210	10/17/56	Davison, Mich.	Bowling Green	Bowling Green
17 Jack O'Callahan	6-1	185	7/24/57	Charleston, Mass.	Boston University	Boston University
5 Mike Ramsey	6-3	190	12/3/60	Minneapolis, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota
4 Gary Ross	5-11	200	12/18/53	Roseau, Minn.	Bemidji State	Klagenfurt, Austria
20 Bob Suter	5-9	178	5/16/57	Madison, Wis.	Univ. of Wisconsin	Univ. of Wisconsin
FORWARDS						
9 Neal Broten	5-9	155	11/29/59	Roseau, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota
23 Dave Christian	5-11	170	5/12/59	Warroad, Minn.	Univ. of North Dakota	Univ. of North Dakota
11 Steve Christoff	6-1	180	1/23/58	Richfield, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota
14 Ralph Cox	5-11	180	2/27/57	Braintree, Minn.	Univ. of New Hampshire	Univ. of New Hampshire
22 Dave Delich	6-1	187	12/27/56	Eveleth, Minn.	Colorado College	Colorado College
21 Mike Eluzione	5-10	185	10/25/54	Winthrop, Mass.	Boston University	Toledo (IHL)
28 John Harrington	5-10	180	5/24/57	Virginia, Minn.	Minnesota-Duluth	Minnesota-Duluth
10 Mark Johnson	5-9	160	9/22/57	Madison, Wis.	Univ. of Wisconsin	Univ. of Wisconsin
7 Rob McClanahan	5-10	180	1/9/58	St. Paul, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota
16 Mark Pavelich	5-7	160	2/28/58	Eveleth, Minn.	Minnesota-Duluth	Minnesota-Duluth
25 Buzz Schneider	5-11	180	9/14/54	Babbitt, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Milwaukee (IHL)
8 Dave Stik	5-11	190	1/1/58	Scituate, Mass.	Boston University	Boston University
19 Eric Strobel	5-10	175	6/5/58	Rochester, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota
27 Phil Verchota	6-2	195	12/28/56	Duluth, Minn.	Univ. of Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota
15 Mark Wells	5-9	175	9/18/57	St. Claire Shores, Mich.	Bowling Green	Bowling Green

HEAD COACH: Herb Brooks (Univ. of Minnesota)  
ASS'T COACH: Craig Patrick

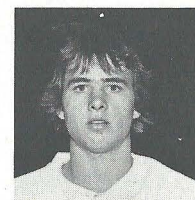
GENERAL MANAGER: Ken Johansson  
TRAINER: Gary Smith



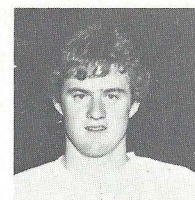
Auge



Baker



Broten



Christian

LES AUGÉ, Defense, 6-1,190,26, St.Paul, Minnesota

Oldest played on the team at 26...starred at Minnesota, winning All-American honors in 1975 as a senior. Has played four seasons in professional ranks..last year at Oklahoma City of the Central Hockey League after three years in IHL...Played on Minnesota's 1974 NCAA Championship team under Herb Brooks, the Olympic coach. Attended Johnson High in St.Paul and won letters in hockey, football and baseball....A member of the '79 USA National Team....Minnesota has NHL rights to his services after Olympic Games. Majored in Business at Minnesota.

BILL BAKER, Defense, 6-1,195,23, Grand Rapids, Minnesota

Captained the University of Minnesota's 1979 NCAA Championship team for Herb Brooks and earned All-American honors in the process. Holds Minnesota records for most assists by a defenseman for a season (42) and most points in one season by a defenseman (54). Selected by Montreal in third round of '76 NHL draft, but opted for college. Has been accepted for dental school at Minnesota....Member of USA National Team that played in World Championships in Moscow....also played as a frosh on Minnesota's 1976 national title team. Named school's top student-athlete as a senior.

NEAL BROTEN, Center, 5-9,155,20, Roseau, Minnesota

Scored the game-winning goal for Minnesota in NCAA Championship Game with North Dakota last winter...had 50 assists last year for a UM record...named the WCHA Rookie of the Year last year as a Gopher frosh...Second round pick in the NHL draft by Minnesota North Stars in '79..played for USA Junior National Team that toured Sweden in 1977....tied for fourth last year in WCHA scoring with 59 points. Was a great player at Roseau High. His brother is a Gopher frosh this year,too. A fine golfer who carries a 4 handicap....Herb Brooks has stated that Broten is "the best freshman ever to have played at the University of Minnesota."

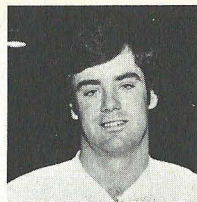
DAVE CHRISTIAN, Center, 5-11,170,20, Warroad,Minnesota

Comes from a famous hockey family...his father, Bill, scored the winning goal in 1960 USA Olympic Games triumph over Russia as the team won a gold medal...his uncle, Roger, also played on 1960 and 1964 Olympic Teams and another uncle, Gordon, played on 1956 Olympic Team. Starred as a sophomore last year at North Dakota...has 30 goals in two seasons for Sioux...member of 1978 USA Junior National Team...was drafted in 1979 NHL draft by Winnipeg Jets in 2nd round. Won letters in football, hockey, baseball and track at Warroad High...named North Dakota's Most Improved Player last season. Father and uncle Roger now own a hockey stick company.

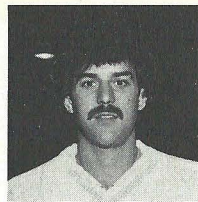




Christoff



Craig



Delich

STEVE CHRISTOFF, Center, 6-1,180,20, Richfield,Minnesota

Has played three seasons for Berb Brooks at the University of Minnesota...tied for fourth in WCHA scoring last year with 59 points (28 goals)...has led Minnesota in scoring for the last two seasons, with 77 points overall last year in all games...member of 1979 USA National Team...drafted by Minnesota North Stars in 2nd round of 1978 NHL draft. His 38 goals last year made him only the third Gopher player in history to crack the 30-goal barrier at UM....named team's MVP two years ago... Geography major at Minnesota...prep star at Richfield, winning All-American honors as a senior.

RALPH COX, Right Wing, 5-11,180,21, Braintree, Mass.

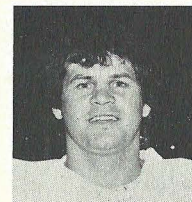
Led the NCAA in goal-scoring last year with 42 as a senior at the University of New Hampshire...holds UNH season records for most goals (42) and career goals (127). Twice named to the All-American team.. earned the Walter Brown Cup, which is given to the best American player in the East, last year....drafted by the Boston Bruins in the 7th round of the 1977 NHL draft...member of 1979 USA National Team... MVP in ECAC last year...graduated from New Hampshire last year with a History degree.

JIM CRAIG, Goalie, 6-1,190,22, North Easton, Mass.

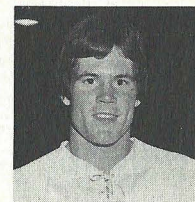
Played three seasons at Boston University and led the Terriers to an NCAA title in 1978...stopped 34 shots in NCAA championship game with arch-rival Boston College in 5-3 BU triumph...an NCAA All-America selection last year...chosen by Atlanta Flames in 4th round of the 1976 NHL draft...played for USA National Team last year for Herb Brooks and was outstanding in World Games at Moscow...Played one year at Massoit Community College before transferring to Boston University for soph season...Attended Oliver Ames High in North Easton and had a 55-3-1 win mark as a goalie...majored in Social Education at BU and graduated last spring. Had a 3.76 Goals Against mark in 63 games in his college career at BU and a 55-6-3 winning mark.

DAVE DELICH, Center/Right Wing, 6-1,187,23, Eveleth, Minnesota

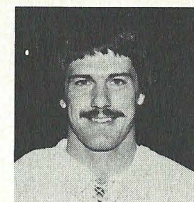
Four-year regular at Colorado College in Colorado Springs...led WCHA in scoring last season with 70 points in league games..overall he had 84 points for a new CC school one-season mark..he also holds Tiger career marks with 111 goals, 174 assists and 285 points...a member of 1978 USA National Team...chosen in 5th round of the 1976 NHL draft by the Minnesota North Stars...also won three varsity golf letters at Colorado College in addition to his hockey exploits.. earned a degree in Business Administration at CC...a brother, Chuck, set 17 school hockey records while competing for the United States Air Force Academy..prepped at Eveleth High, winning letters in football, golf and hockey.



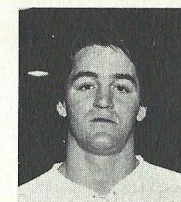
Eruzione



Harrington



Horsch



Hughes

MIKE ERUZIONE, Left Wing, 5-10,185,25, Winthrop, Mass.

Has spent the last two years in the IHL at Toledo...a 1977 graduate of Boston University who ranks second on the BU all-time scoring ledger with 208 career points. Named the American rookie of the year at Toledo in 1978 after scoring 86 points (30 goals). Scored 27 goals and tallied 47 assists last season for Toledo...Led Boston University to four straight NCAA berths in collegiate career...played on 1975 and 1976 USA National Teams...majored in Physical Education at BU and wants to coach in college after competitive career is over. Grew up in Winthrop and attended Winthrop High, playing hockey,football and baseball.

JOHN HARRINGTON, Right Wing, 5-10,180,22, Virginia,Minn.

Played four seasons for Minnesota-Duluth along with USA teammate Mark Pavelich...tied for fourth in WCHA scoring last year with 59 points (22 goals) in league games...scored 51 goals in last two seasons at UMD...holds UMD season record for five shorthanded goals, including TWO during the same penalty vs. Michigan in 1978! Scored 65 goals in four seasons, then played in five games for Oklahoma City of the Central Hockey League after college season last year. Prepped at Virginia High, winning letters in hockey,football and baseball. Minnesota North Stars have NHL rights to his services.

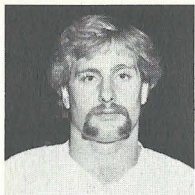
BRUCE HORSCH, Goalie, 5-9,178,23, Hastings,Minn.

1978 Michigan Tech graduate who holds school record with 2,809 career saves and 1,094 saves in one season (1976)...played for Michigan Tech's 1975 NCAA Championship team..has played the last two years at Flint (IHL) and Nova Scotia (AHL)...starred for winning Great Lakes team in USOC National Sports Festival II this summer in Colorado Springs, getting the win in 4-2 triumph over Central team for the gold medal...chalked up a shutout for Nova Scotia in first game against the Philadelphia Firebirds...played football,baseball and hockey at Hastings High. Had 3.97 Goals Against average over 87-game span at Michigan Tech and it's been 4.52 and 3.32 in two pro seasons at Flint and Nova Scotia in 26 total games.

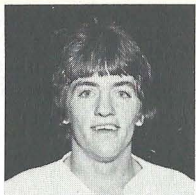
JACK HUGHES, Defense, 6-1,205,22, Somerville, Mass.

Has one year left at Harvard, but has already established two Crimson records- career points by a defenseman (79) and career assists by a defenseman (63)...named Frosh of the Year in ECAC in 1976...9th round draft pick of the Colorado Rockies in '77 NHL draft...Economics major at Harvard...brother, George, played for Harvard the last four years,too. All-East pick for the last two seasons at Harvard...prepped at Malden Catholic High and then attended Choate Prep School before matriculating at Harvard three years ago...all-league pick in three sports- hockey,football and baseball- at Malden Catholic before entering Choate.

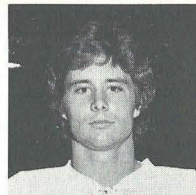




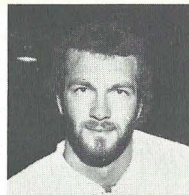
Janaszak



Johnson



McClanahan



Morrow

STEVE JANASZAK, Goalie, 5-8,160,22, St.Paul, Minn.

Played in the nets for NCAA Champion Minnesota last season for Olympic coach Herb Brooks and racked up a 3.23 Goals Against average over the 41 games played by the Gophers...named the MVP in the NCAA Championship Tourney after netminding resulted in 4-3 Gopher win over North Dakota for national title...recorded 4.15 Goals Against mark for 87 games over four-year career at Minnesota...chalked up a whopping 2.639 career saves...has never been drafted by an NHL team, but it may yet happen...one of the smaller goaltenders around at 5-8,160...was a standout at Hill-Murray High in St.Paul, winning 10 letters in hockey,football,golf and soccer...majored in Chemical Engineering at Minnesota.

MARK JOHNSON, Center, 5-9,160,22, Madison, Wis.

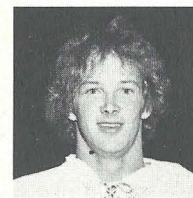
Two-time All-American selection from the University of Wisconsin, playing for his father, 1976 USA Olympic coach Bob Johnson...named , the college player of the year last year and was second in WCHA scoring with 69 points (28 goals)...led WCHA scorers the year before as a sophomore...has one year of college eligibility left at Wisconsin. Has tallied 125 goals and 131 assists in three seasons of play for the Badgers...led UW to 1977 NCAA Championship by scoring two goals in 6-5 win over Michigan in the championship game...third round draft pick of the Pittsburgh Penguins in '77 NHL draft...played on 1978 and 1979 USA National Teams....prepped at Madison Memorial High and led team to state title in 1976...a Physical Education major at Wisconsin.

ROB McCLANAHAN, Center/Left Wing, 5-10,180,21,St.Paul, Minn.

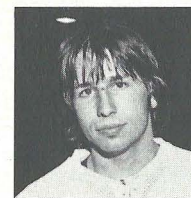
Has one year of college eligibility left at powerful Minnesota...was named the Most Determined Player at UM the last two seasons...has tallied 45 goals and 63 assists in three seasons for the Gophers...a member of 1979 USA National Team...drafted by Buffalo in the third round of 1978 NHL draft...scored 17 goals and had 32 assists for Minnesota last season...graduated from Mounds View High where he was a Prep All-American in hockey and also lettered in soccer and tennis...he's a Business major at Minnesota.

KEN MORROW, Defense, 6-4,210,23, Davison, Mich.

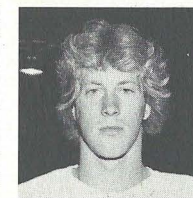
Biggest of the USA players at 6-4,210...played four seasons at Bowling Green for Ron Mason, now the head coach at Michigan State. Had 15 goals and 37 assists last year for 52 points, a nifty output by a defenseman...All-American selection in 1978 and CCHA Player of the Year last season as well as MVP at Bowling Green...played for the USA National Team in world tournaments in Prague...drafted in fourth round of '76 NHL draft by the New York Islanders...prior to his college career, he played for the Detroit Junior Red Wings and led them to the Junior A national title in 1975...was Bowling Green's first All-American...led BG to first NCAA berth, the first time a school outside the WCHA and ECAC played in the national championships.



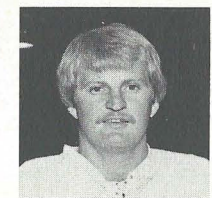
O'Callahan



Pavelich



Ramsey



Ross

JACK O'CALLAHAN, Defense, 6-1,185,22, Charleston,Mass.

First-team All-American last year at Boston University as a senior. Scored 18 career goals for Terriers and was a main cog in 1978 NCAA Championship express by Boston University...had six assists in NCAA Championship tilts and was named tourney MVP...captained the Terriers for the last two seasons...named BU's top student-athlete in 1978...sixth round pick by the Chicago Black Hawks in 1977 NHL draft...played on 1978 and 1979 USA National Teams...considered the finest competitor ever to have played at BU...majored in American History and plans to pursue a law or business career after competition on ice is over. Went to Boston Latin High.

MARK PAVELICH, Center/Right Wing, 5-7,160,20, Eveleth, Minn.

Another first team NCAA All-American selection from this past season...a three-year regular at Minnesota-Duluth for coach Gus Hendrickson....was third in WCHA scoring last season with 63 points (23 goals) in league games...led Bulldogs to their best season in hockey history last year (3rd in WCHA) and established three scoring records at UMD in the process: Most Goals (31), Most Assists (48) and Most Points (79)...grew up in Eveleth, home of the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame...regarded as one of the top players ever to come out of this hotbed of ice talent...has one year left at UMD.

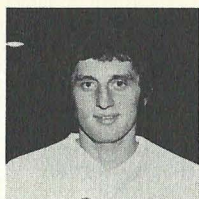
MIKE RAMSEY, Defense, 6-3,190,19, Minneapolis, Minn.

Made history on August 9, 1979 when he became the first American hockey player to be selected in the first round of the NHL draft when he was chosen by the Buffalo Sabres...has played one season at the University of Minnesota and may still return after the Olympic Games...played in 34 games for the Gophers last year and was named to the NCAA All-Tourney team...also played on the USA Junior National Team that played in Sweden...prepped at Roosevelt High in Minneapolis before enrolling at UM...won high school letters in hockey,tennis and football. A very aggressive defenseman with a great future.

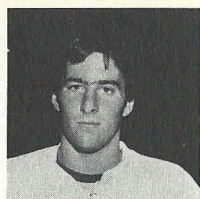
GARY ROSS, Defense, 5-11,200,26, Roseau, Minn.

Was a member of the 1976 USA Olympic Team at Innsbruck...played in college at North Dakota (2 seasons) and then at Bemidji (Minn.) State for two years...his brother, Don, played in 1964 and 1968 Olympic teams. Played last year in Austria at Klegenfurt, scoring 20 goals and adding 25 assists...had one goal and three assists in '76 Olympic Winter Games...has a degree in Elementary Education from Bemidji State.. played on 1976 USA National Team...biggest thrill was scoring the winning goal in 4-3 USA triumph over USSR in 1975 Walter Brown Tourney in Colorado Springs....prep star at Roseau High before matriculating at North Dakota...decided once to give up hockey when he left North Dakota, but changed his mind in time.

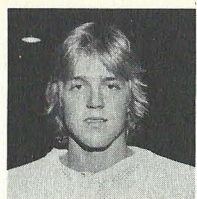




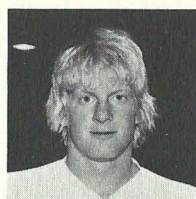
Schneider



Silk



Strobel



Suter

BUZZ SCHNEIDER, Left Wing, 5-11,184,25, Babbitt, Minn.

Played three seasons for the University of Minnesota before by-passing senior year to play on '76 USA Olympic Team..also played on four USA National Teams- 1974, 1975, 1976 and 1977..with the '75 team he had a hat trick against the Russians and led the team in scoring with 8 goals in 10 games..has played the past two seasons for Milwaukee of the IHL, scoring 16 and 14 goals respectively...played on the '74 NCAA Championship team at Minnesota..prepped at Babbitt High and was an all-state end in football in addition to winning letters in hockey and baseball. He's married (Gayle).

DAVE SILK, Right Wing, 5-11,190,20, Scituate, Mass.

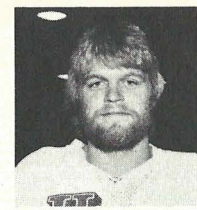
Comes from solid sports family....cousin Mike Millbury plays for the Boston Bruins of the NHL and his grandfather played for the Boston Red Sox (Hal Janvrin)...drafted by New York Rangers in the 4th round of the 1978 draft...has played three years at Boston University and was a member of BU's 1978 NCAA title team...selected to the NCAA all-tourney team in 1977 and 1978...in three seasons at BU, he has scored 70 goals and tacked on 73 assists...his 35 goals as a frosh broke a ten-year-old school record and earned him New England Rookie of the Year honors... Attended Thayer Academy in Braintree, Mass., where he also played football and soccer. Sociology major at BU.

ERIC STROBEL, Right Wing, 5-10,175,21, Rochester, Minn.

Has played three seasons at Minnesota for Herb Brooks and has one year of college eligibility remaining...became the fifth player in Gopher history to score 30 goals or more in one season last year with his 30 tallies...has 52 goals in three seasons for Gophers...scored a hat trick in Minnesota's 4-3 over New Hampshire in NCAA semifinals last season... named to NCAA all-tourney team for his play...played on 1979 USA National Team...attended Mayo High in Rochester, lettering in hockey, football and baseball...drafted in the 8th round of the NHL draft by Buffalo in 1978.

BOB SUTER, Defense, 5-9,178,22, Madison, Wis.

Played four seasons for University of Wisconsin and became known as the Badger "policeman" for his rugged play, despite smallish stature. Logged a school record 377 career penalty minutes..led WCHA last year with 83 penalty minutes...can score, as his 16 goals last year prove... set Badger records for most points in one game (7) and most assists in one game (5) during career...was a member of Wisconsin's 1977 NCAA Championship hockey team coached by '76 Olympic coach Bob Johnson... drafted in the 5th round of the 1976 NHL draft by the Los Angeles Kings organization...native of Madison who attended Madison East High, where he led team to state hockey titles in 1973 and 1975...Recreation major at Wisconsin..Married (Dianne).



Verchota



Wells

PHIL VERCHOTA, Left Wing, 6-2,195,22, Duluth, Minn.

Four-year veteran from Minnesota who played on Gophers' 1976 and 1979 NCAA Championship units for Herb Brooks..scored 59 goals and added 61 assists for UM in four seasons on the ice...Was a Williams Scholar at Minnesota and won the Johnny Mayasich Award as the team's top student-athlete in 1977 and 1978..member of 1979 USA National Team.. selected in 5th round of 1976 NHL draft by hometown Minnesota North Stars...attended Duluth East High, where he was an all-state selection in both football and hockey...was also an outstanding discus and shotput performer in track and field...Business major at Minnesota who wants to pursue a career in hospital administration someday.

MARK WELLS, Center, 5-9,175,22, St.Clair Shores, Mich.

Scored 77 goals and added 155 assists in four years of playing for Bowling Green...led BG to CCHA titles along with Olympic teammate Ken Morrow in 1976, 1978 and 1979...strong skater and effective fore-checker who led CCHA in scoring two years ago with 28 points...tallied 26 goals and added 57 assists for 83 points last year, his finest season at BG...played for the Detroit Junior Redwings before enrolling at Bowling Green and his team won national junior title in 1975. 12th round draft pick in 1977 by Montreal Canadiens...majored in Biology and Physical Education at Bowling Green..plans a teaching and coaching career...attended Lake Shore High.

#### OLYMPIC GAMES HOCKEY HISTORY

YEAR	GOLD MEDAL	SILVER MEDAL	BRONZE MEDAL
1920	Canada	UNITED STATES	Czechoslovakia
1924	Canada	UNITED STATES	Great Britain
1928	Canada	Sweden	Switzerland
1932	Canada	UNITED STATES	Germany
1936	Great Britain	Canada	UNITED STATES
1948	Canada	Czechoslovakia	Switzerland
1952	Canada	UNITED STATES	Sweden
1956	USSR	UNITED STATES	Sweden
1960	UNITED STATES	Canada	USSR
1964	USSR	Sweden	Czechoslovakia
1968	USSR	Czechoslovakia	Canada
1972	USSR	UNITED STATES	Czechoslovakia
1976	USSR	Czechoslovakia	West Germany



# USA PAST HOCKEY PERFORMANCES IN OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES

Year	Site	Finish	Coach
1976	Innsbruck, Austria	Fourth	Bob Johnson
1972	Sapporo, Japan	Second	Murray Williamson
1968	Grenoble, France	Sixth	Murray Williamson
1964	Innsbruck, Austria	Fifth	Eddie Jeremiah
1960	Squaw Valley, Cal.	FIRST	Jack Riley
1956	Cortina, Italy	Second	John Mariucci
1952	Oslo, Norway	Second	Connie Pleban
1948	St. Moritz, Switzerland	Fourth	John Garrison
1936	Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany	Third	Albert Prettyman
1932	Lake Placid, N.Y.	Second	Alfred Winsor
1928	Not Represented		
1924	Chamonix, France	Second	William Haddock
1920	Antwerp, Belgium	Second	Ray Schooley

## THE USA'S GOLD MEDAL, 1960

USA 6, Sweden 3	USA 3, USSR 2
USA 9, Germany 1	USA 9, Czechoslovakia 4
USA 2, Canada 1	W-5, L-0

## HOW TO PRONOUNCE THEM

AUGE- 0-jay	Strobel- STRO-bull
BROTEN- BRAHT-en	VERCHOTA- ver-COAT-ah
ERUZIONE- e-roo-ZEE-o-knee	
JANASZAK- JAN-uh-zack	
PAVELICH- PAV-litch	

## PLAYERS WITH COLLEGE ELIGIBILITY

Neal Broten (Minnesota)-----	3 years
Dave Christian (North Dakota)-----	2 years
Steve Christoff (Minnesota)-----	1 year
Jack Hughes (Harvard)-----	1 year
Mark Johnson (Wisconsin)-----	1 year
Rob McClanahan (Minnesota)-----	1 year
Mark Pavelich (Minn.-Duluth)-----	1 year
Mike Ramsey (Minnesota)-----	3 years
Dave Silk (Boston Univ.)-----	1 year
Eric Strobel (Minnesota)-----	1 year



1980 U.S. Olympic Hockey Team

# THE 1976 OLYMPIC GAMES

## Ice Hockey Log

## FINAL STANDINGS

Nation	GP	WON	LOST	TIED	GF	GA	PTS
USSR-----	5	5	0	0	40	10	10
Czechoslovakia-----	5	3	2	0	23	10	6 *
West Germany-----	5	2	3	0	21	24	4
UNITED STATES-----	5	2	3	0	15	21	4
Finland-----	5	2	3	0	19	18	4
Poland-----	5	1	4	0	9	44	2 *

\* Czechoslovakia forfeited game to Poland

## SCORES OF GAMES PLAYED:

### USSR (5-0)

6 USA 2
16 Poland 1
7 West Germany 3
4 Czechoslovakia 2
7 Finland 2

### CZECHOSLOVAKIA (3-2)

2 Finland 1
5 USA 0
7 Poland 1 *
7 W.Germany 4
2 USSR 4

### WEST GERMANY (2-3)

7 Poland 4
3 Finland 5
3 USSR 7
4 USA 1
4 Czechoslovakia 7

### UNITED STATES (2-3)

2 USSR 6
0 Czechoslovakia 5
5 Finland 4
7 Poland 2
1 West Germany 4

### FINLAND (2-3)

1 Czechoslovakia 2
5 West Germany 3
4 USA 5
7 Poland 1
2 USSR 7

### POLAND (1-4)

4 West Germany 7
1 USSR 16
1 Czechoslovakia 7 *
2 USA 7
1 Finland 7

## THE 1979 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS Moscow, U.S.S.R.

## FINAL STANDINGS

### Group A

	W	L	T
USSR.....	6	0	0
Czechoslovakia....	3	2	1
Sweden.....	1	4	1
Canada.....	1	5	0

### Group B

	W	L	T
Finland.....	4	1	1
West Germany.....	3	2	1
UNITED STATES.....	2	2	2
Poland.....	0	4	2

## USA Scoreboard:

### Preliminary Round

3 Canada 6
1 Finland 1
2 Czechoslovakia 2

### Final Round

5 Poland 5
3 West Germany 6
6 Finland 2
5 Poland 1
2 West Germany 5



SQUAW VALLEY, CALIFORNIA- 1960

It turned out to be the greatest moment for amateur hockey in the United States since the sport of Ice Hockey came to the country in 1893..and it happened right here in California.

The setting was the Olympic Fieldhouse at Squaw Valley. The event was the Olympic Winter Games of 1960. The sport was Ice Hockey, and the United States, as usual, was a heavy underdog to the rugged Czechs and the physical Russians, not to mention the defending world champion Canadians, who invented the sport.

The USA had advanced to the final round by beating The Czechs, 7-5, and Australia, 12-1. That put the team into the six-team championship round-robin.

Sweden fell to the Americans by 6-3; The USA then whipped Germany, 9-1 to set up a crucial showdown with the Canadians.

A howling, standing-room-only crowd of 8,500 in Blyth Arena and millions of American and world TV viewers saw the scrapping, clawing USA underdogs win, 2-1, as goalie Jack McCartan of Minnesota made save after impossible save. He had 39 for the night, in fact. The USA took a 1-0 lead in the first period when Minnesota's John Mayasich fired in a 20-footer at 12:47. The lead went to 2-0 at 14:00 of the 2nd period when another Gopher grad, Paul Johnson, intercepted a pass and skated the length of the ice to slap home a 35-footer. McCartan stopped 20 shots in the 2nd period alone and was finally beaten at the 14:00 mark. Canada got no more.

Next up was Russia, on Feb.27, and this time the crowd rose to almost 10,000 in the arena. Bill Cleary of Harvard got the USA out in front by 1-0 at 4:04 of the first period on a pass from his brother Bob. The USSR went in front 2-1 with two straight goals within five minutes and that's the way the first period ended.

Midway in the second period, Billy Christian, the smallest player on the ice, took a pass from his brother Roger and swept in from the left to fire one past goalie Nikolai Puchkov to knot the score. It set up a dramatic final stanza.

At 14:59 of the third period, the 5-9,145-pound Billy Christian again took charge. Set up again by brother Roger, he outsmarted Puchkov, who came out to cut off his angle on a power play and slammed one past the startled Soviet goaltender. McCartan toughened the rest of the way and the U.S. had a 3-2 win to set up the title tilt with the Czechs!

The bizarre schedule called for an 8:00 A.M. game, and it was a real dandy. A USA loss plus a Canada win over Russia could still give the gold to Canada on a goal-spread basis. The Czechs made things worse by taking a 4-3 lead after two periods.

This time, it was Roger Christian who took charge, tying the game at 4-4 at 5:59 of the final period on a pass from brother Billy. Bob Cleary put the U.S. ahead at 7:40 with an assist from Mayasich. He followed with another goal at 11:36 with an assist from his brother to give the USA a 6-4 lead. Within the next four minutes, Roger Christian scored twice and Bill Cleary once in a total blitz that put the gold medal into the USA camp in a 9-4 rout.

It was, and always will be, an unforgettable moment in American sports history, forever preserved in the hearts of U.S. hockey faithful.



